

CLASSICS, M.A.

Admission

Applicants for the Master of Arts in Classics should be directed to the Graduate School. The application deadline is February 15. In addition to all admissions requirements listed in the General Information section of this catalog, the Department of Classics requires the following:

1. An undergraduate major in Classics, Greek, or Latin, or at least twenty-four semester hours of Greek and/or Latin. Those deficient in these requirements may be admitted on a probationary basis.
2. GPA and GRE scores predictive of success in the program.
3. Three letters of recommendation from current or former professors.
4. A personal statement outlining an area of interest and reasons for seeking the degree.
5. A writing sample at least ten pages in length, normally from a course in Classics or a related discipline. Teachers may submit a statement of teaching philosophy and representative teaching materials (e.g., a week of lesson plans and any supporting material for a Greek or Latin class).

Degree Requirements

The Master of Arts in Classics degree consists of thirty-three semester hours, including the successful completion of a three-hour thesis or non-thesis project. The requirements are as follows:

Code	Title	Hours
Requirements		
Thirty semester hours of coursework, including at least eighteen hours at the 5000 level:		
<i>Materials and Methods</i>		
CLA 5300	Proseminar in Classics	3
<i>Greek</i>		
GKC courses at the 5000 level ¹		9
<i>Latin</i>		
LAT courses at the final 5000 level ²		9
<i>Supplementary Fields</i>		
Select one course from three of the following subfields:		9
<i>Ancient History</i>		
CLA 5302	Topics in Ancient History	
REL 5331	History of Ancient Christianity	
<i>Papyrology, Paleography, Linguistics, and Textual Criticism</i>		
LAT 5303	Latin Paleography	
ENG 5303	Studies in Linguistics	
<i>Art and Archaeology</i>		
ANT 4341	Archaeology of the Mediterranean ³	
ANT 4V16	Archaeological Research ³	
CLA 4368	Special Topics in Greek and Roman Art and Archaeology	
CLA 4369	Greek and Roman Sport and Spectacle	
<i>Ancient Thought</i>		
GTX 4V99	Special Topics in Great Texts ³	
PHI 5301	Readings from Plato ³	
PHI 5302	Readings from Aristotle ³	
PHI 5312	Topics in Classical Philosophy ³	

PSC 5343 Classical Political Thought³

Thesis/Non-Thesis

Select one of the following:

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CLA 5V99 Thesis

CLA 5V90 Final Project (non-thesis)

Intermediate Proficiency

Demonstrated intermediate proficiency in French, German, or Italian by one of the methods listed in the Specific Degree Requirements for the Master of Arts degree in the general information section of this catalog.

Written Exams

Three written exams, including a translation exam on Greek literature, a translation exam on Latin literature, and an exam on Greek or Roman history. Students must pass one of the two translation exams before beginning their second year of study. A student may retake a failed exam once, but failing an exam twice will result in dismissal from the program.

Oral Defense

An oral defense of the thesis or non-thesis project.

Total Hours

33

¹ Except for GRK 5321 Greek Grammar for Reading Knowledge, GRK 5322 Greek Prose for Reading Knowledge

² Except for LAT 5303 Latin Paleography, LAT 5321 Latin Grammar for Reading Knowledge, LAT 5322 Latin Prose and Poetry for Reading Knowledge

³ Designates a course that must be approved by the Graduate Program Director. Students may petition the Graduate Program Director for a second course in a given subfield. Some students may be permitted to fulfill the requirements for this degree with courses in one classical language if they

1. have at least twelve undergraduate hours of the other language,
2. demonstrate an equivalent proficiency by passing a departmental examination, or
3. achieve a grade of B or better in GRK 5321 Greek Grammar for Reading Knowledge and GRK 5322 Greek Prose for Reading Knowledge, or LAT 5321 Latin Grammar for Reading Knowledge and LAT 5322 Latin Prose and Poetry for Reading Knowledge.